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Hanford Cleanup Tour Registration Begins in April

Public tour Focused on Environmental Cleanup

RICHLAND, Wash. – The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) will open online registration for the 2016 Hanford cleanup tour program April 5 at 9 a.m. on the Hanford Site website, www.hanford.gov. There is no cost to participate in the tours.

This year's public tour program will focus on environmental cleanup and provide guests with an indepth look at several key projects that support today's cleanup effort. This tour does not include the B Reactor. Tours of B Reactor and other historic sites at Hanford will be available via programs at the new Manhattan Project National Historical Park.

Stops may include:

- The Environmental Restoration Disposal Facility The massive 107-acre landfill is located at the center of the site and contains about 17.7 million tons of low-level radioactive waste.
- Hanford's Plutonium Finishing Plant (PFP) Scheduled for demolition, this will be one of
 the last opportunities to see the facility that produced nearly two-thirds of the country's
 supply of plutonium during the Cold War.

The Waste Treatment Plant – Currently under construction, the plant will be the world's
largest facility for turning chemical and radioactive waste into a stable glass form, suitable
for safe, long-term storage.

Tour participants must be U.S. citizens and at least 18 years of age. Government-issued photo identification is required for each tour participant and must be presented prior to receiving a badge. Tour participants from some states, including Washington, may be required to provide two forms of ID to meet the badging requirements. To learn more about required forms of identification, visit Hanford.gov.

All seats are filled on a first-come, first-served basis through the online registration system at here. Tours begin on the days indicated below at 8 a.m. and run about four hours.

Hanford Site Cleanup Tour Dates:

May: 3, 11, 17, 24 & 25 June: 1, 7, 15, 21, 28 & 29 July: 12, 13, 26 & 27

The tours will begin and end at the HAMMER Federal Training Facility located at 2890 Horn Rapids Rd., Richland, Wash., 99354.

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The U.S. Department of Energy's Richland Operations Office is responsible for several major cleanup projects on the Hanford Site, including cleanout and demolition of the high-hazard Plutonium Finishing Plant, demolition of excess facilities, excavation of contaminated soil and solid waste, and treatment of contaminated groundwater, as well as Hanford Site infrastructure. The office oversees approximately \$1 billion in annual funding for Hanford Site work that is conducted by a Federal and contractor workforce of approximately 4,200 personnel. Visit www.hanford.gov.

Mission Support Alliance, a team of Lockheed Martin, Jacobs Engineering and Centerra Group, has responsibility for the Mission Support Contract at the Hanford Site. MSA provides a number of cross-cutting services to the DOE and other contractors at the Hanford Site to facilitate cleanup activities. MSA is responsible for areas such as site infrastructure, utilities, transportation, environmental integration, safety, emergency services and training, external affairs, information management and portfolio management. MSA: Partnering to move the mission forward. http://msa.hanford.gov/msa.